



**City of Biggs**  
**Agenda Item for the**  
**next regular City Council Meeting**  
**October 8, 2013, 6:30pm**

**To: Honorable Mayor  
And Members of the City Council**

**Date: Oct 1, 2013**

**From: Steve Speights, PE – City Engineer**

**Subject: Monthly Activity Report**

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**6<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge**

We, along with the contractor, conducted a pre-construction meeting Sept 9<sup>th</sup>. The primary discussion centered around the environmental and permitting constraints and the unlikely possibility of getting an extension to work beyond the Oct 1 limit. As a result the contractor has chosen to delay start of physical construction until next spring, when the permit time opens again. In the mean time he is submitting for review descriptions of materials he intends to incorporate into the work.

Leo has submitted a request to Caltrans to adjust the project funding budgets now that we have an accepted construction bid. When that is approved, probably in a couple of months, Caltrans will issue a revised project authorization (E-76).

**Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase 1 Design/ Funding**

We are completing the plans and specs, incorporating comments from our last meeting with city staff. The intention is to advertise after the first of the year for spring start of construction.

Congratulations to Scott Friend for his perseverance and having outlasted the environmental coordinator at SRF.

It is my understanding that an SRF loan agreement will be ready to close next month for phase 1.

**Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase 2 Funding**

The SRF application for Phase 2 was submitted in August, and the USDA application in July. There are some items in phase 2 that are needed to be completed, such as the environmental process, before they can be submitted. We have acknowledged those items with SRF and USDA. SRF and USDA are working together on the phase

2 funding, but have had more pressing projects to work on, including our phase 1 funding package.

The Phase 2 Admin Draft EIR was distributed for staff comment last week and we should have our comments to PMC tomorrow. After they incorporate staff comments, the document will be circulated for comment.

Property acquisition has stalled a bit. We had intended to be before the council this meeting to discuss the next steps, that being preparing an offer. However, the appraisal document has been revised, but still contains deficiencies..

The goal is to have all the elements: funding, design, and property acquisition, completed in January or shortly thereafter, with construction starting in the spring 2014. Only preliminary design has been started, so we need to get a proposal to council next meeting to start design if we are to stay on schedule.